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## Motivation

Calculated perturbation due to HSCT emissions differ significantly among the 2-D models participating in the IPCC/HSRP Assessment

Differences in transport are evident in inert tracer calculations, such as M&M A-3

How much of the HSCT assessment differences are due to differences in transport?

How much due to chemical formulation? How much to PSC treatment?

## Approach

Implement transport rates from the GSFC and LLNL models in the AER model

AER/GSFC = AER model with GSFC transport

AER/LLNL = AER model with LLNL transport

Differences between AER calculations with different transport rates indicate transport sensitivities  
AER, AER/GSFC, AER/LLNL

Differences between different models with same transport indicate chemical differences

AER/GSFC vs GSFC                      AER/LLNL vs LLNL

## Outline

- I. Inert Tracer Experiment A-3 from M&M II Workshop
- II. Comparison of Background Atmosphere
- III. Comparison of HSCT Perturbations
- IV. Sensitivity to Interannual Temperature Variations

NO<sub>y</sub> (ppbv)  
M&M A-3  
EI(NO<sub>x</sub>)=10

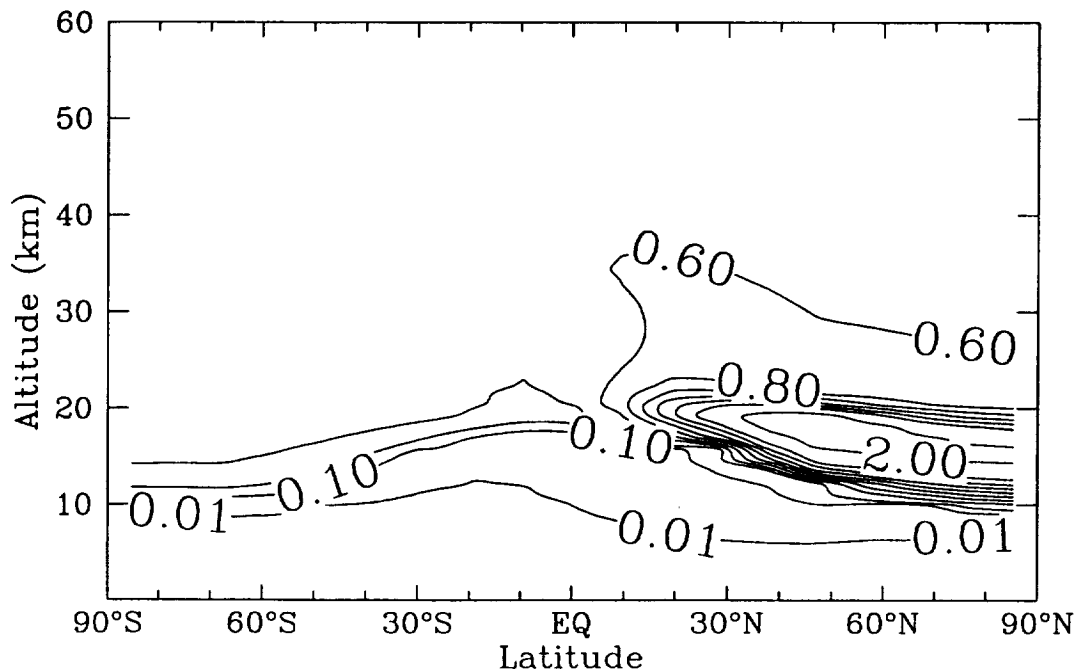
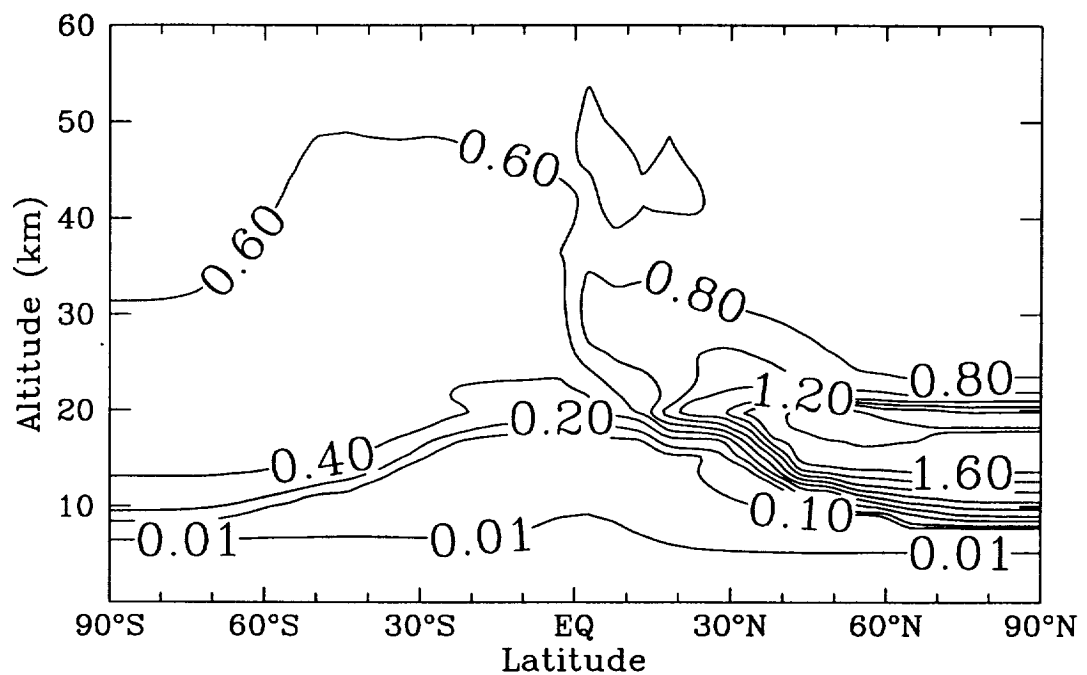
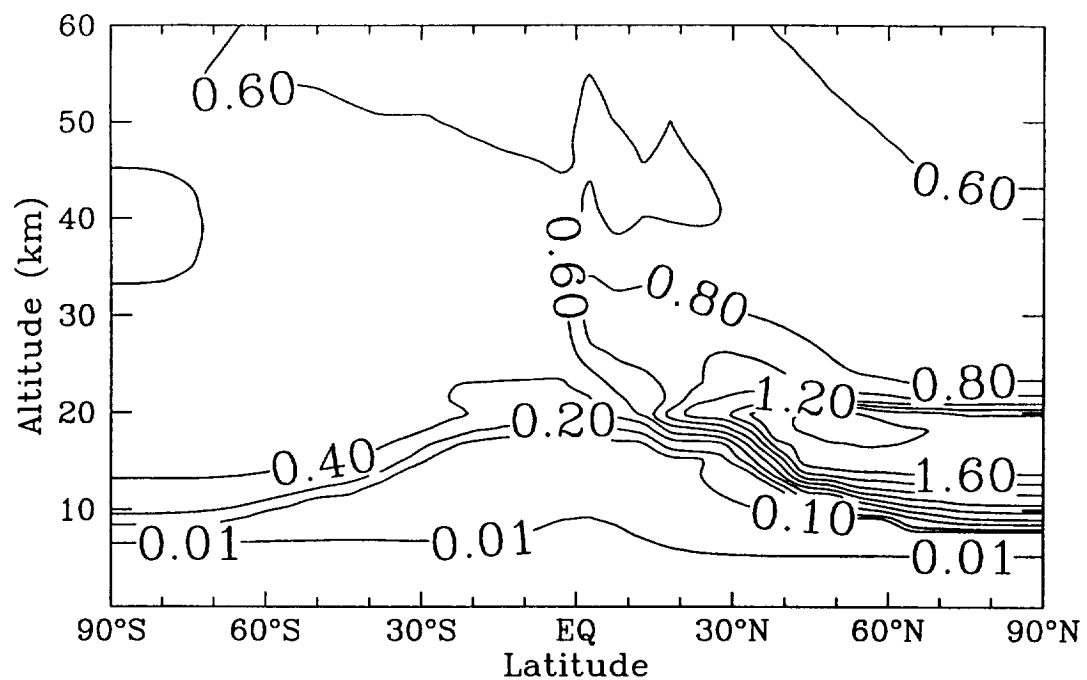
LLNL Model

Differences about  
1-3% everywhere

Transport Schemes:  
LLNL-Smolarkiewicz  
AER-Smolarkiewicz

AER/LLNL  
Model

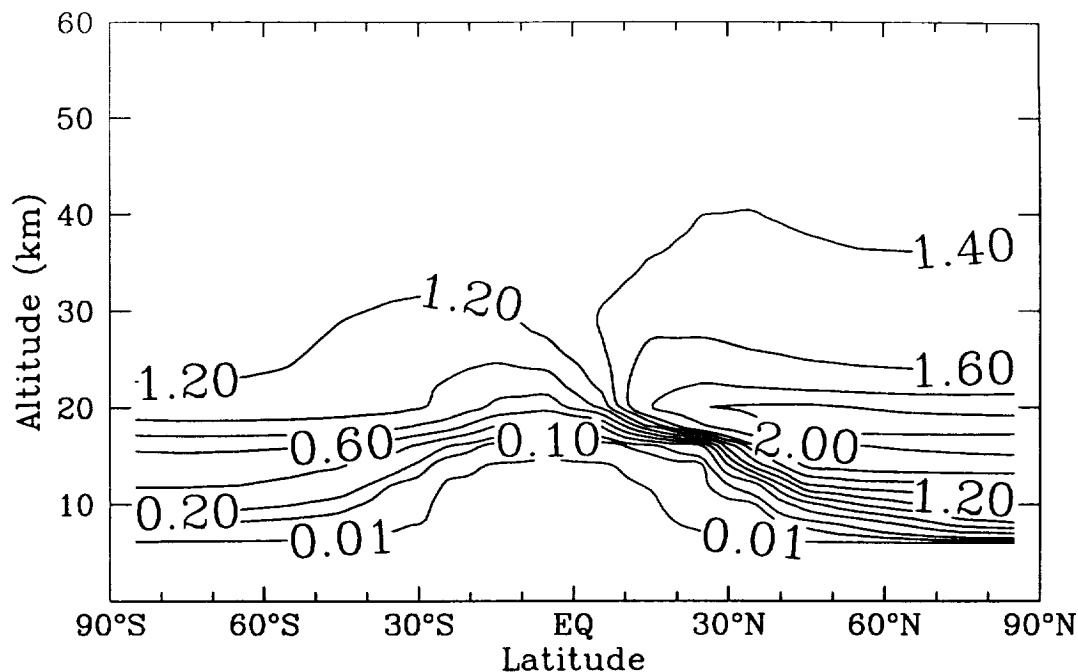
AER Model



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GSFC Model

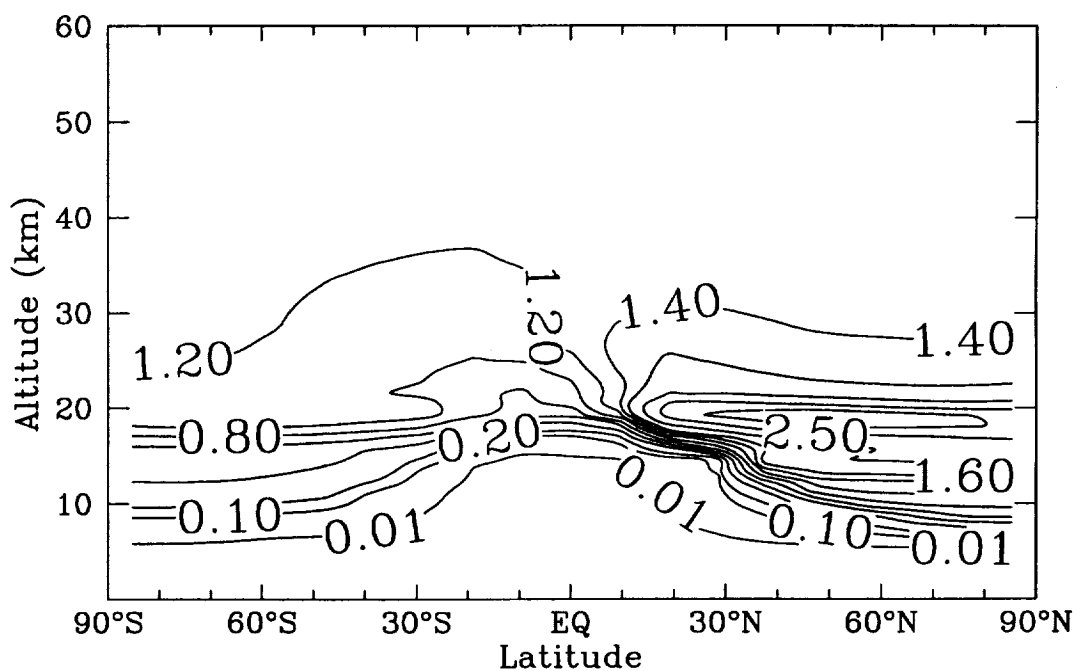
Differences about  
4-6% above 20 km  
greater ~20 km



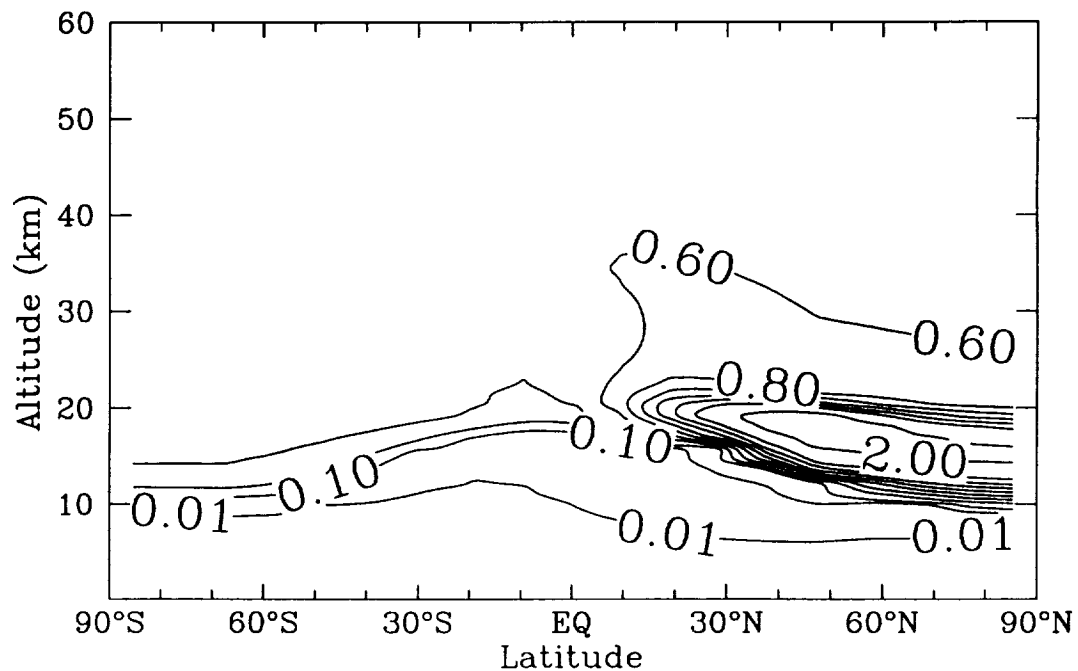
Transport Schemes:  
GSFC-Lin & Rood  
AER-Smolarkiewicz

AER/GSFC  
Model

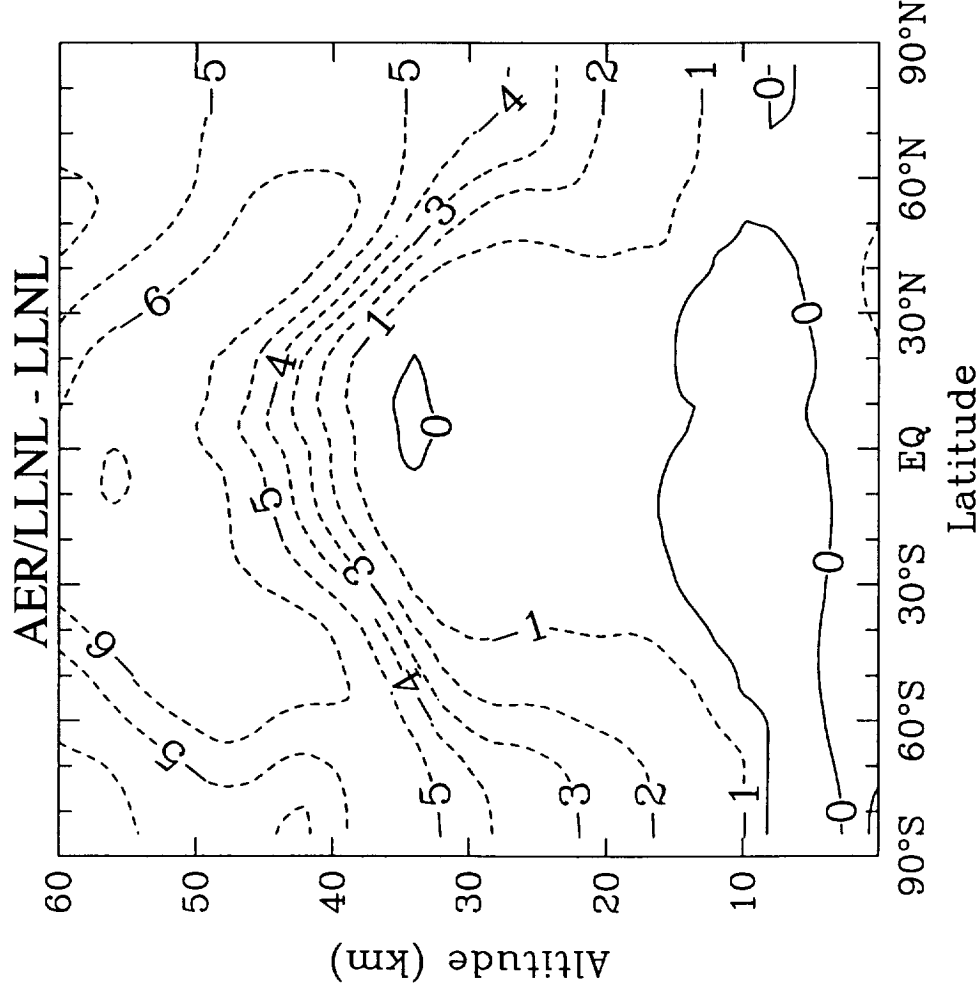
Differences due to:  
Advection 50%  
K<sub>zz</sub> 50%



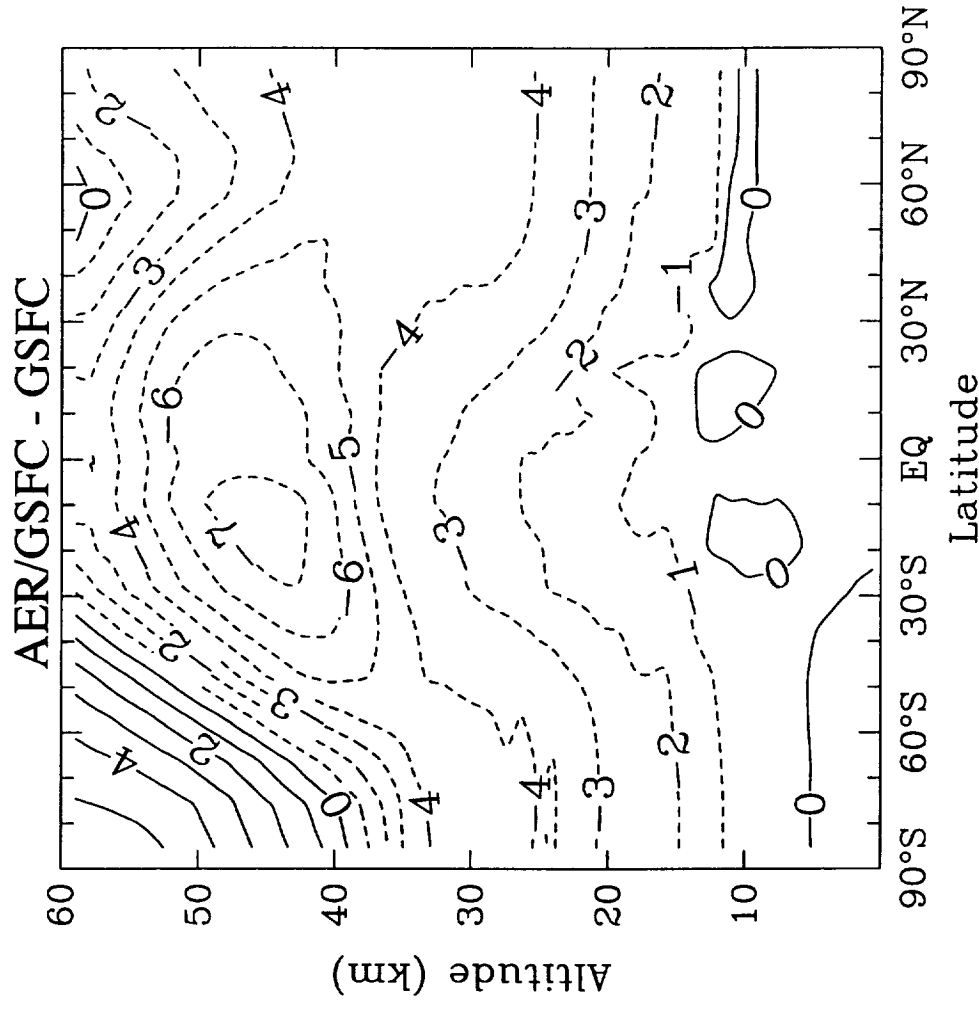
AER Model



# NOY Difference (ppbv) between Models with Same Transport June 2015 with Subsonic Aircraft Only, Without PSCs

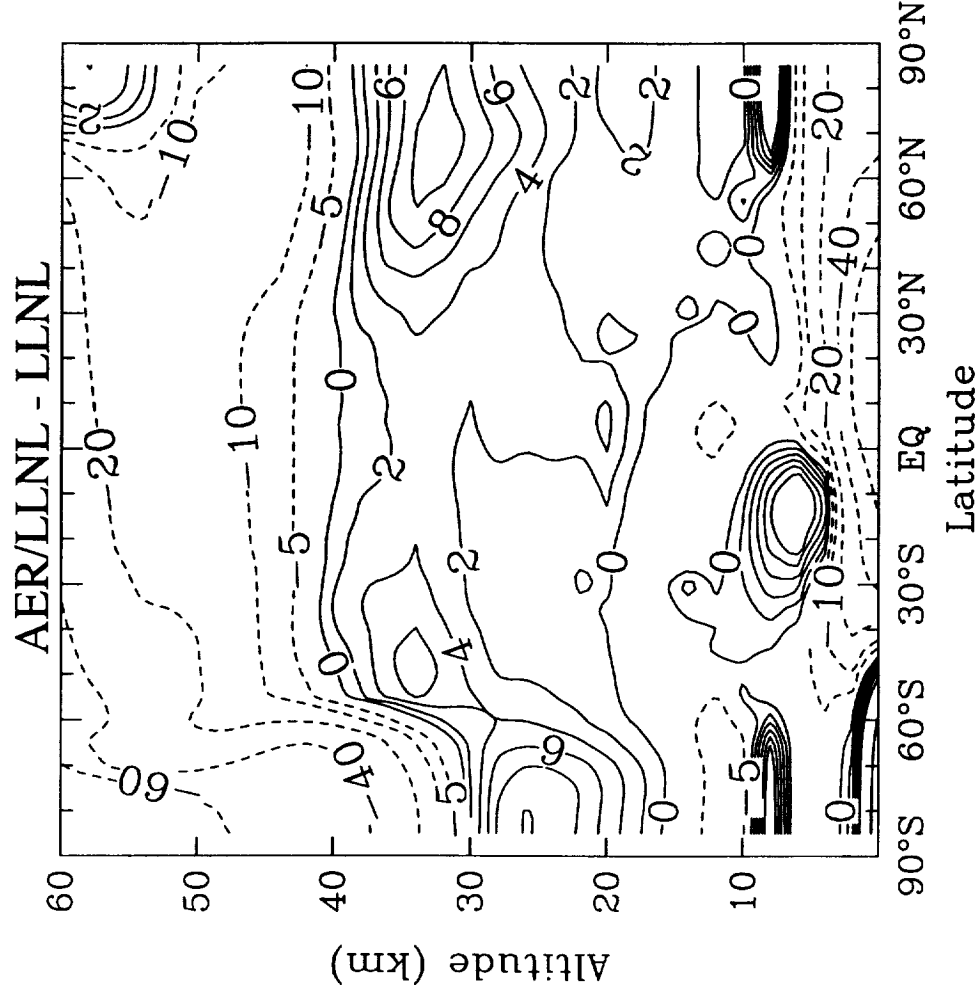


LLNL Transport

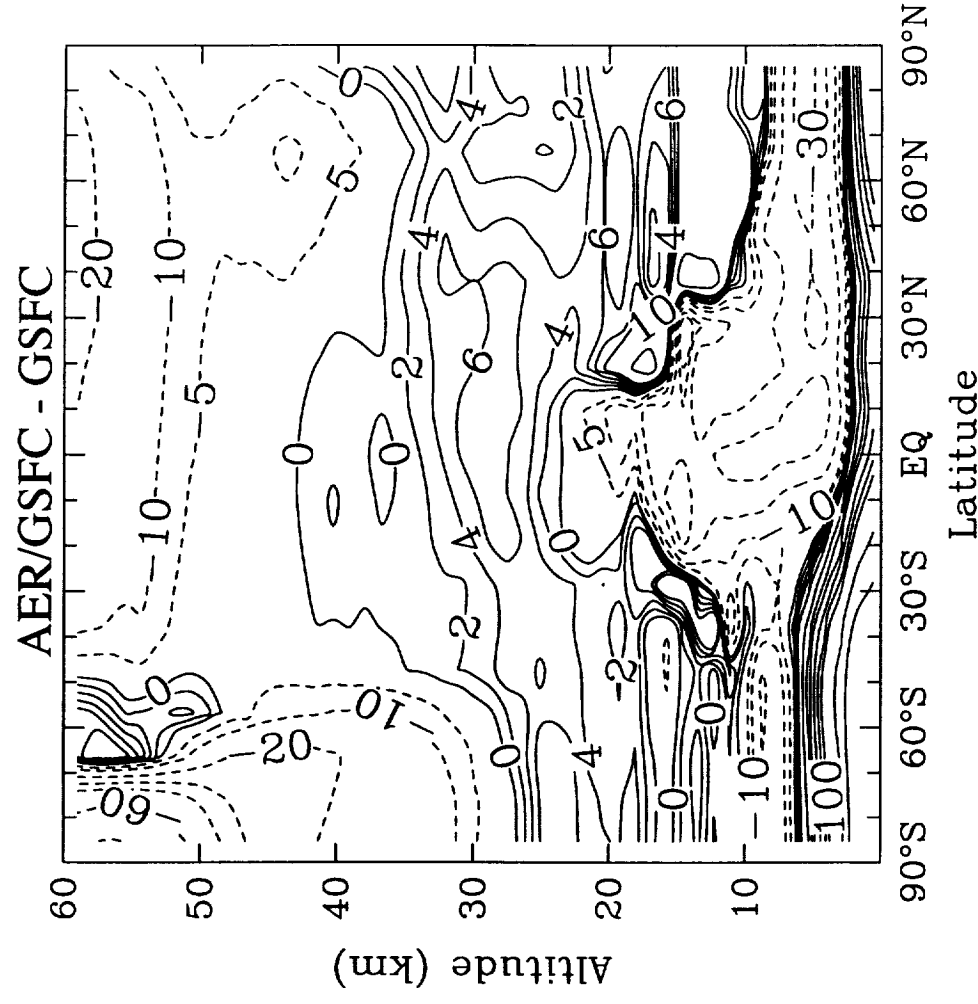


GSFC Transport

# Ozone Percent Difference between Models with Same Transport June 2015 with Subsonic Aircraft Only, Without PSCs



LLNL Transport



GSFC Transport

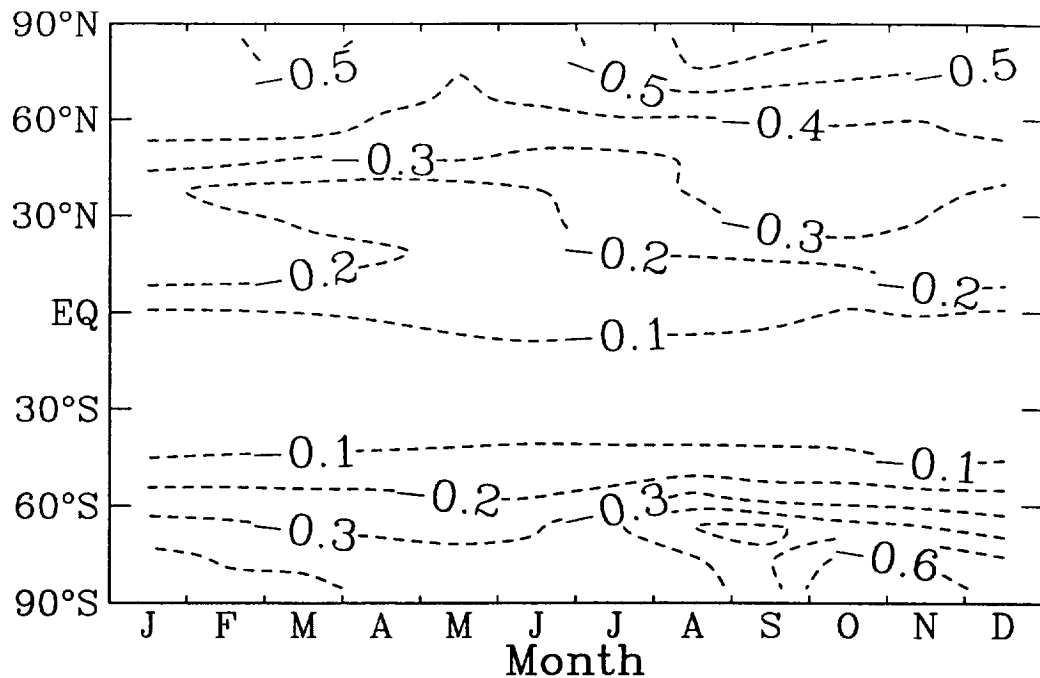
Ozone columns within 8% for both models



$\Delta O_3$  Column due to  
500 HSCTs in 2015  
EI(NO<sub>x</sub>)=5, SA0  
No PSCs

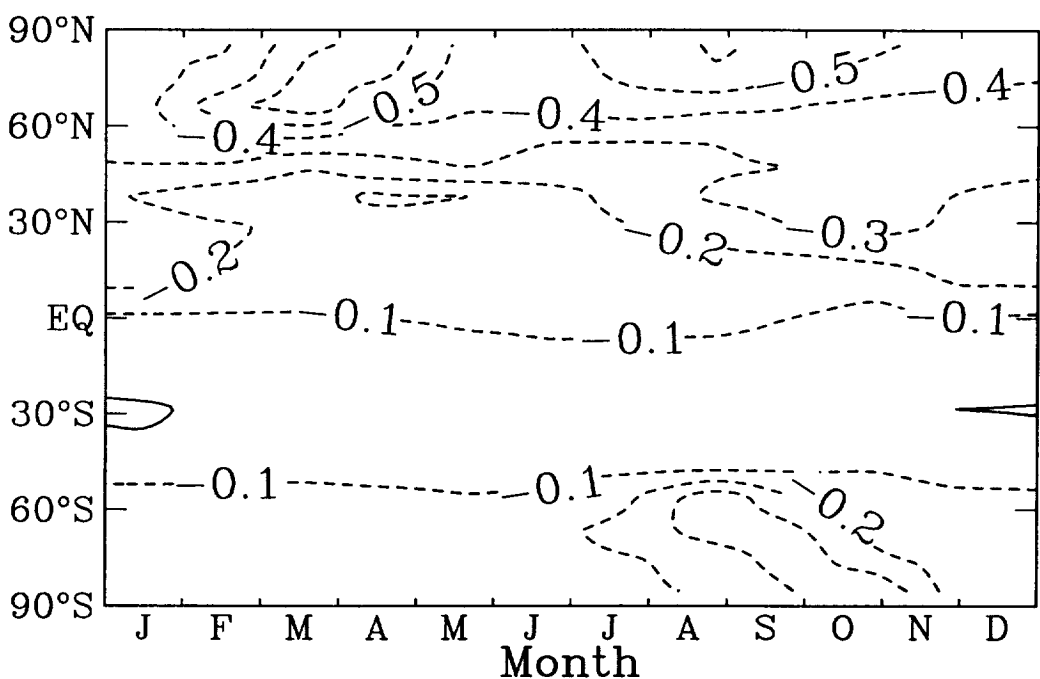
LLNL Model

Chemical differences  
large in Southern  
Hemisphere

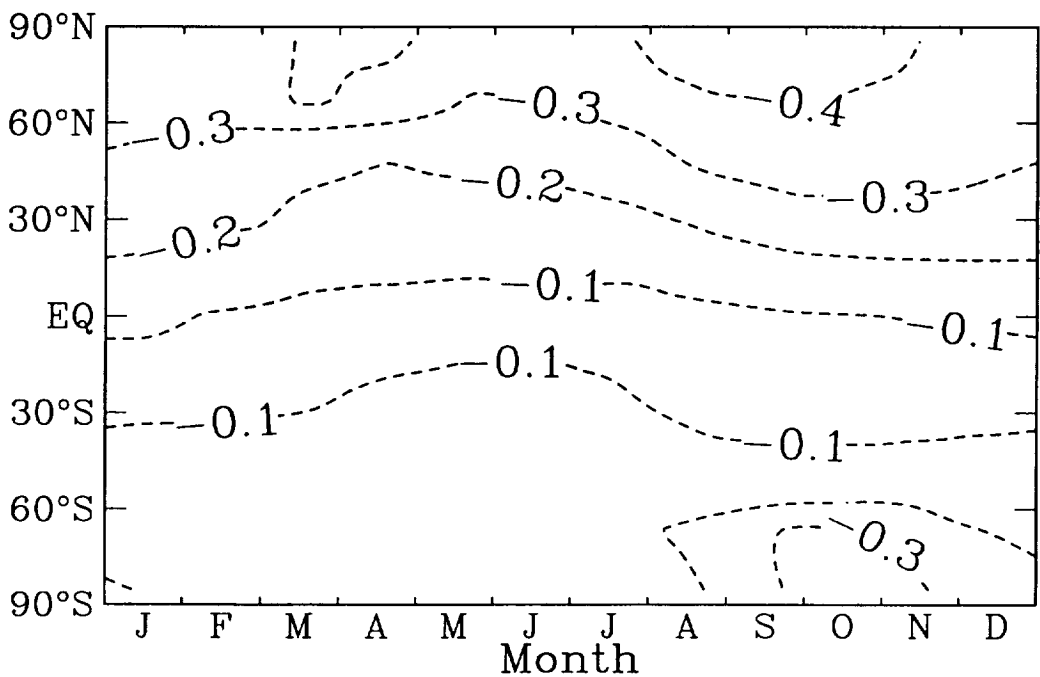


AER/LLNL  
Model

Transport differences  
in Northern Hemisphere



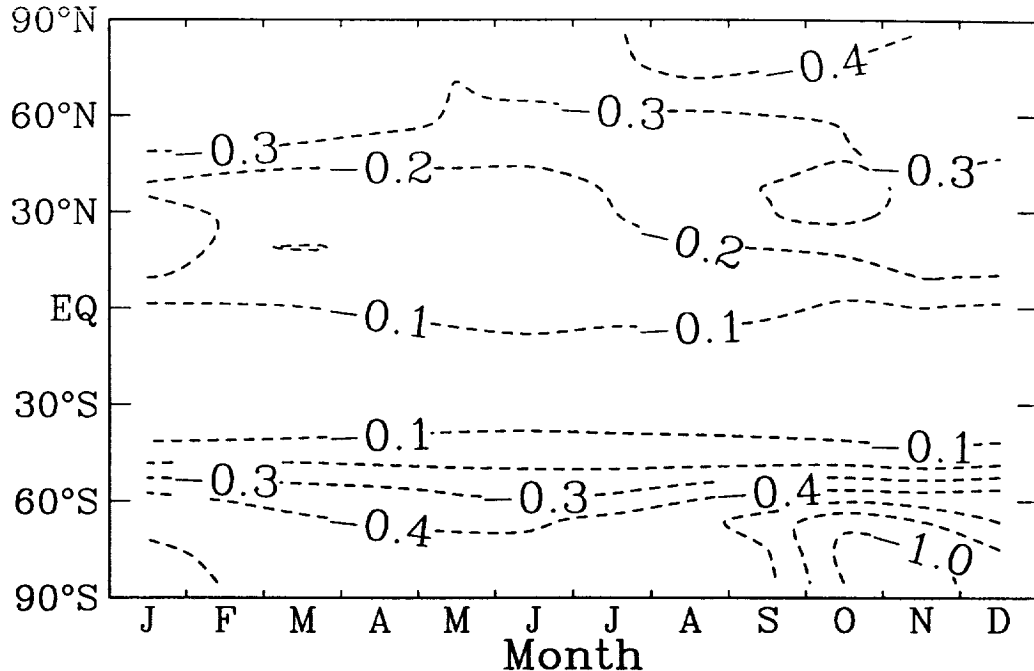
AER Model



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With PSCs

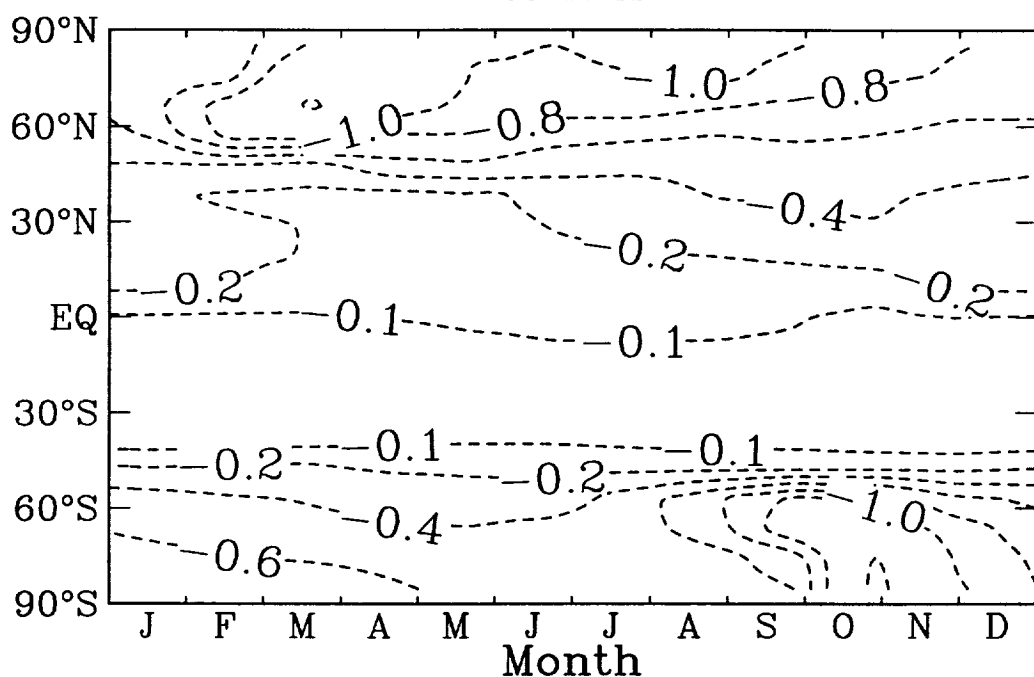
LLNL Model

Chemical differences  
large in Northern  
Hemisphere

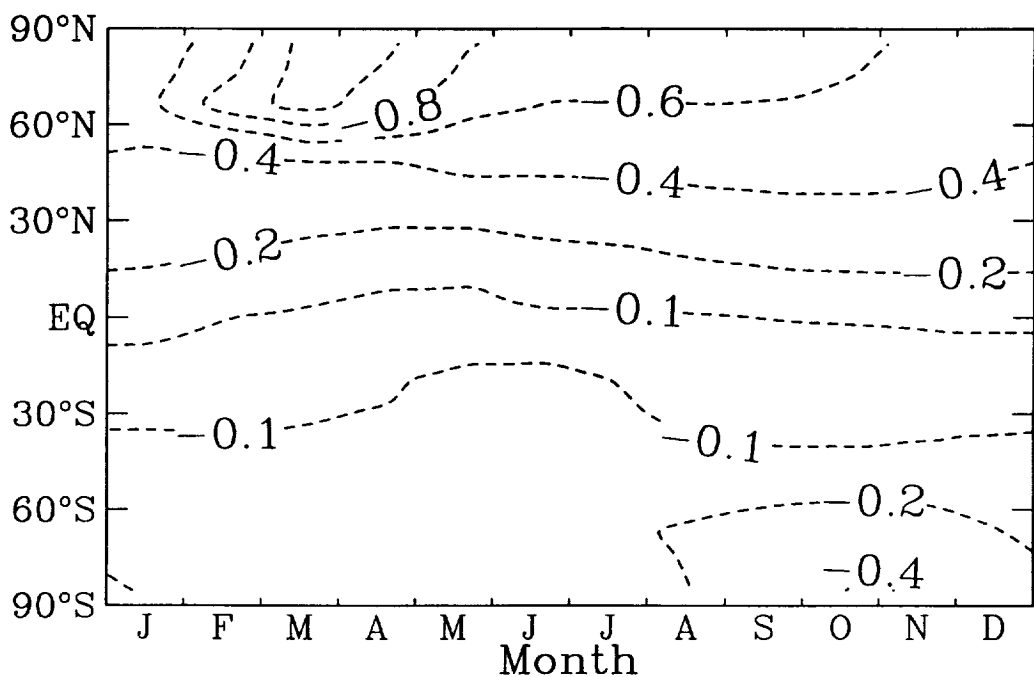


AER/LLNL  
Model

Transport differences  
in Northern and South-  
ern Hemispheres



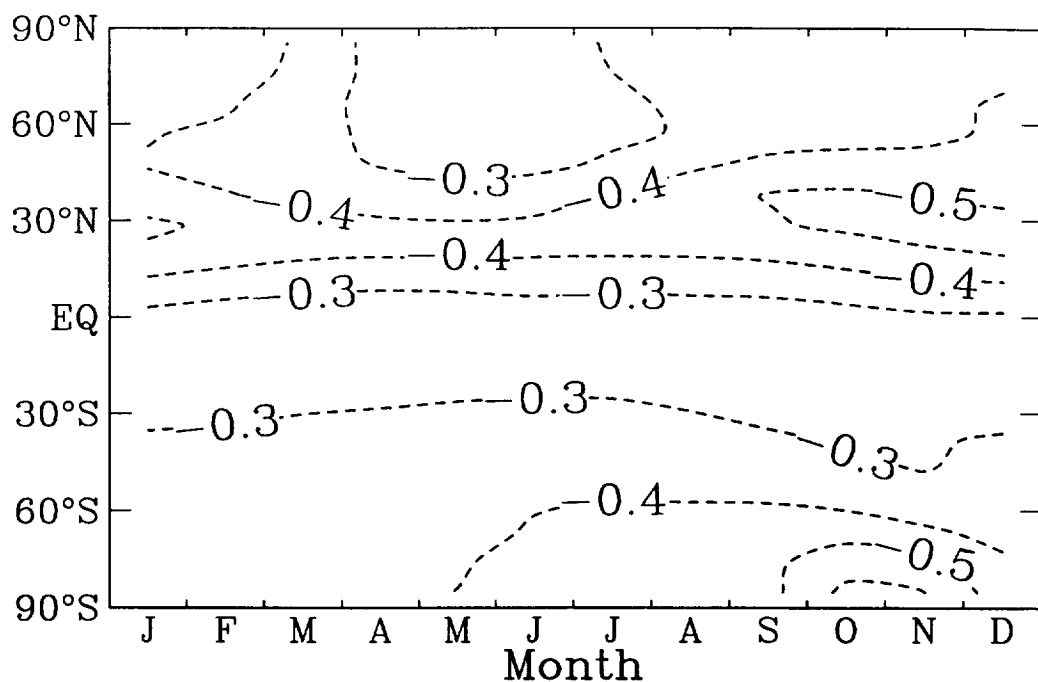
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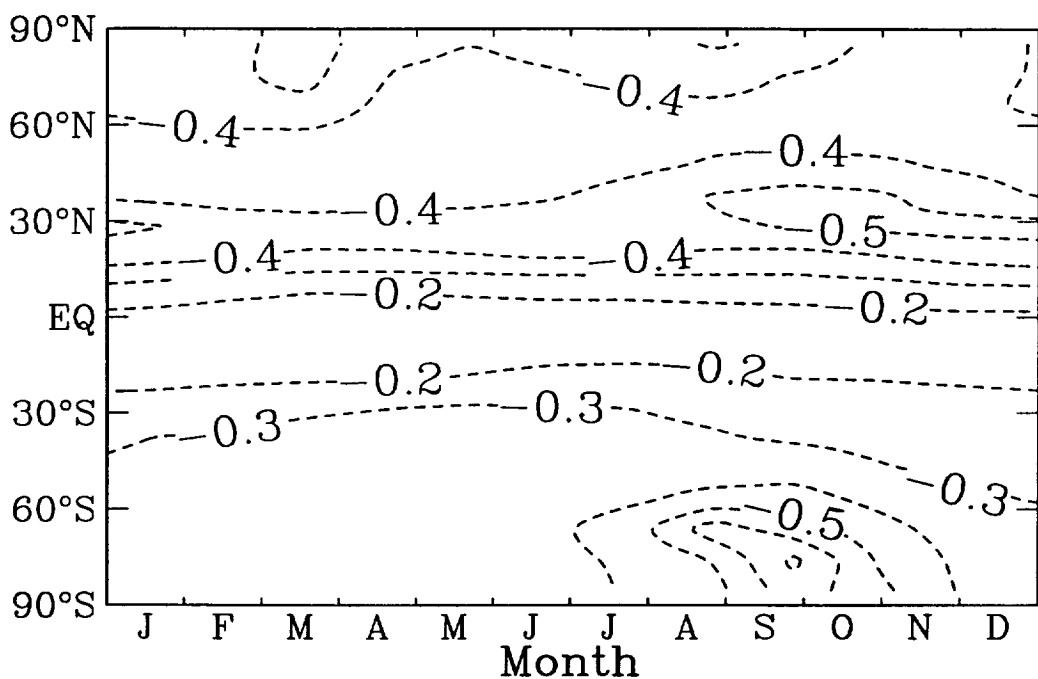
GSFC Model

Chemical differences  
relatively small  
without PSCs

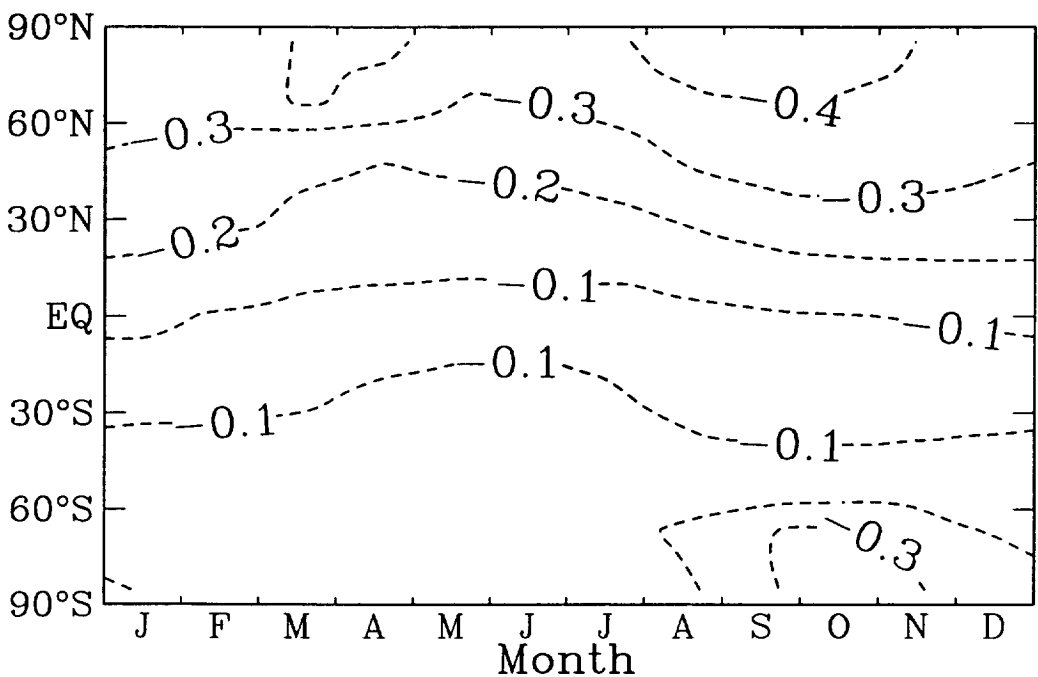


AER/GSFC  
Model

Transport differences  
large in Southern  
Hemisphere



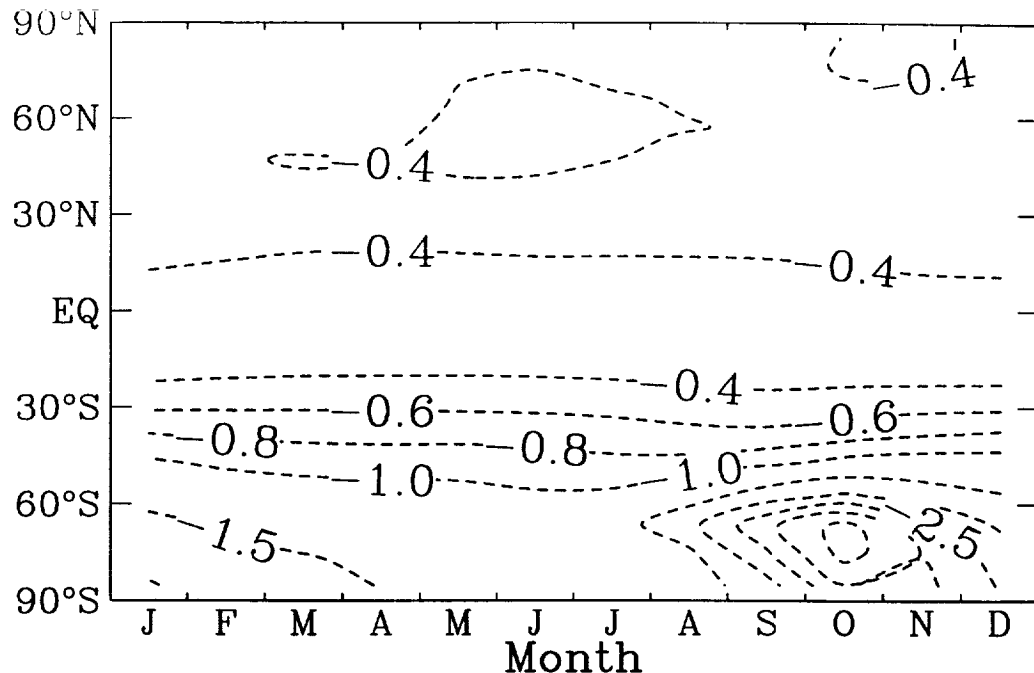
AER Model



$\Delta O_3$  Column due to  
500 HSCTs in 2015  
 $EI(NO_x)=5$ , SA0  
With PSCs

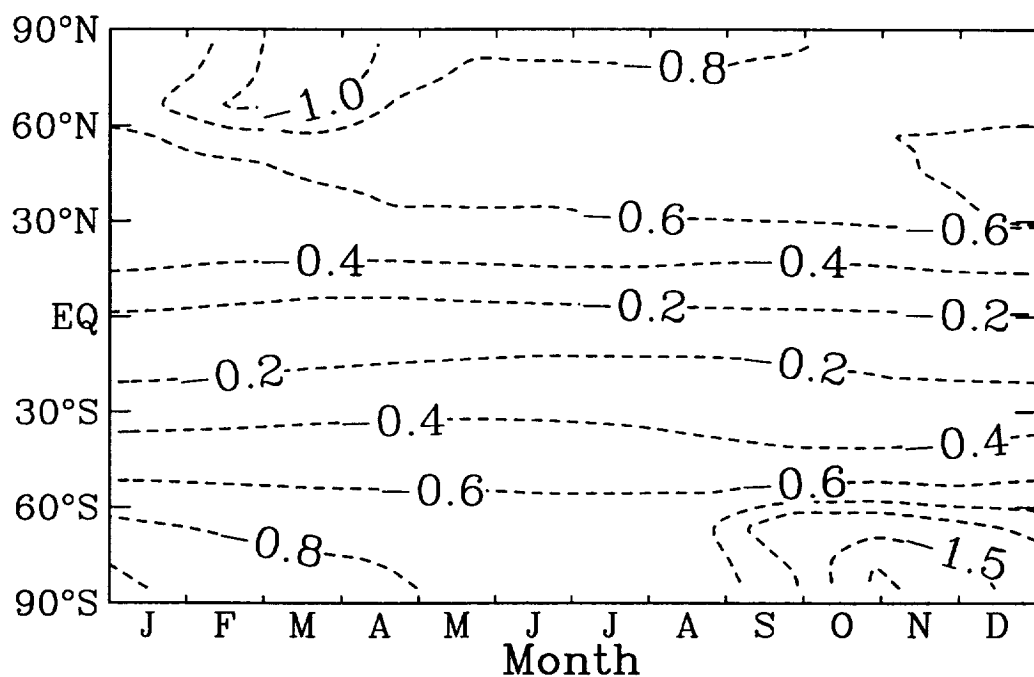
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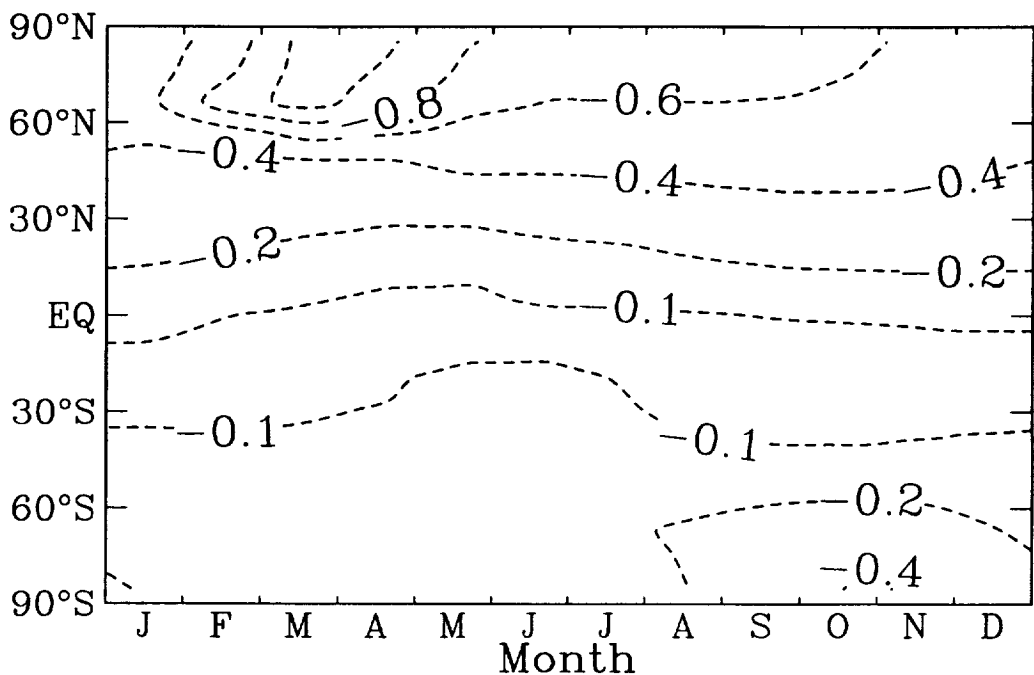


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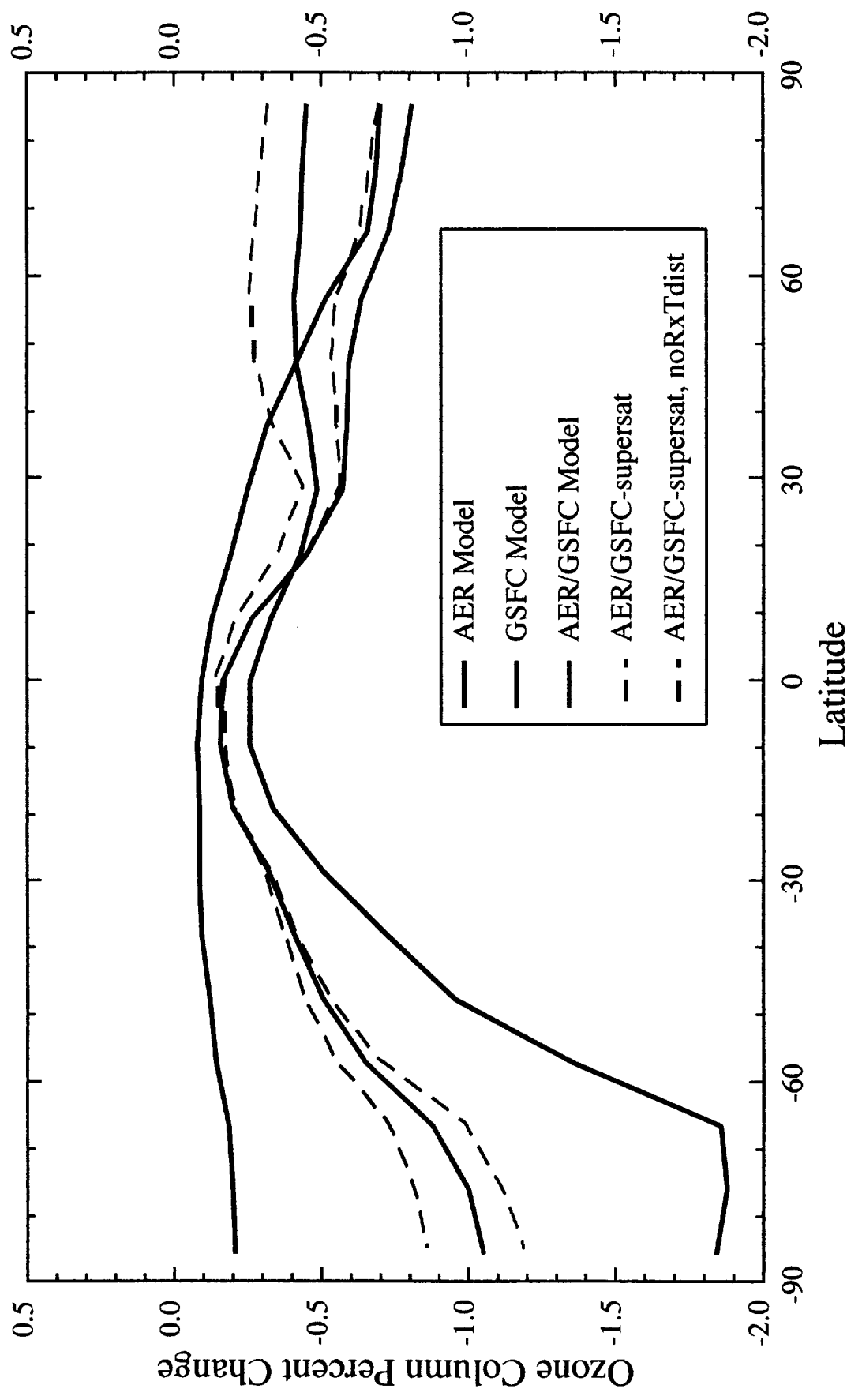
Transport differences  
large in Southern  
Hemisphere



AER Model



# Annual Average Ozone Column Change due to HSCT EI(NO<sub>x</sub>)=5, 500 planes, SAO, 2015 With PSCs



## Sensitivity to Interannual Temperature Variations

### Motivation

heterogeneous reaction rates and PSC formation are strong functions of temperature  
interannual temperature variations for individual months  $\sim 5^\circ$   
long-term trend in temperature likely

AER model with AER transport run in a time-dependent fashion

utilize historical temperatures from 1988-1995, both zonal mean and distribution  
2 runs:

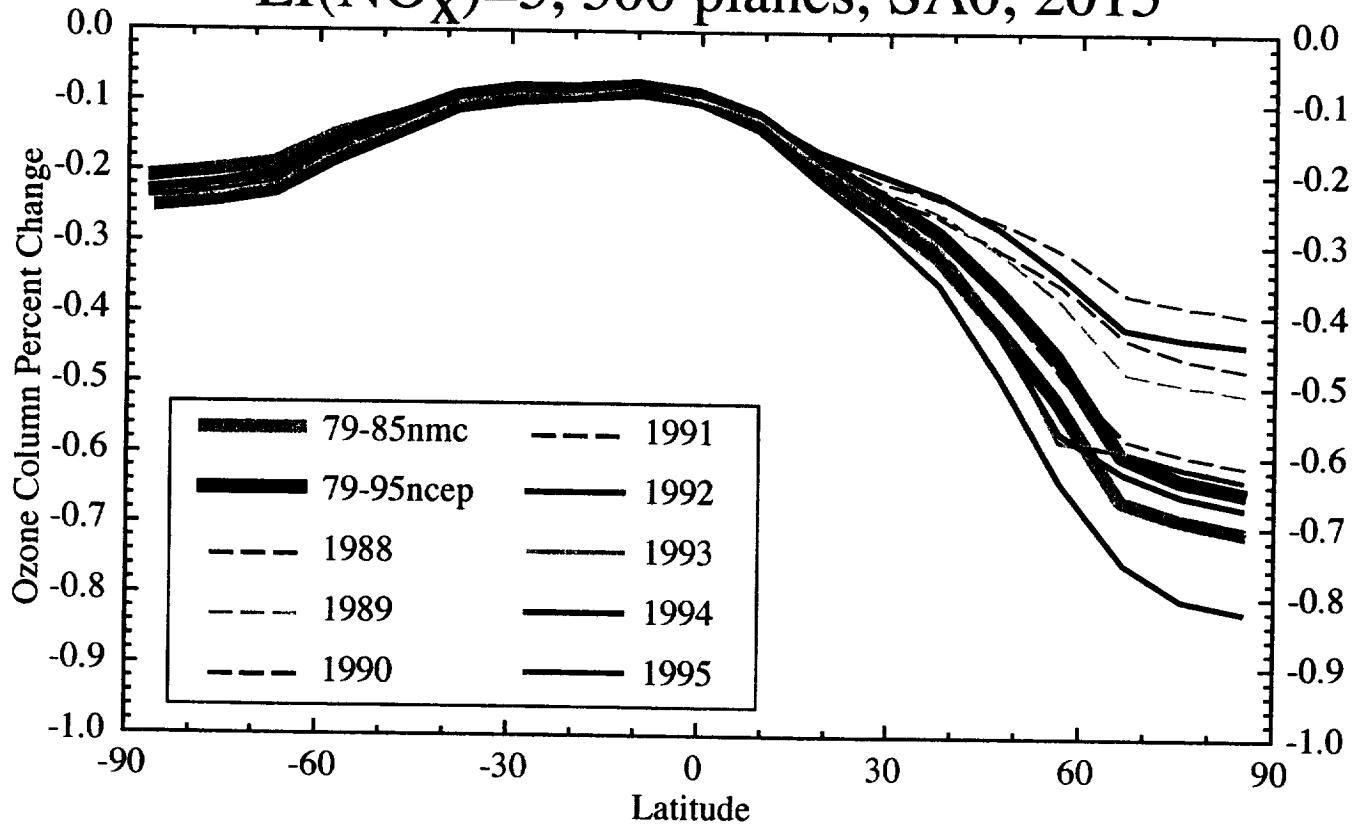
$O_3(\text{HSCT}+\text{sub})_i$ ,  $i=1988, 1989, \dots, 1995$  with  $\text{EI}(\text{NO}_x)=5, 500$  HSCTs  
 $O_3(\text{subsonic})_i$ ,  $i=1988, 1989, \dots, 1995$  for 2015 trace gases, subsonics  
initialized with steady-state calculations with climatological temperatures

$$(\Delta O_3)_i = \frac{O_3(\text{HSCT} + \text{sub})_i - O_3(\text{sub})_i}{O_3(\text{sub})_i}, i = 1988, 1989, \dots, 1995$$

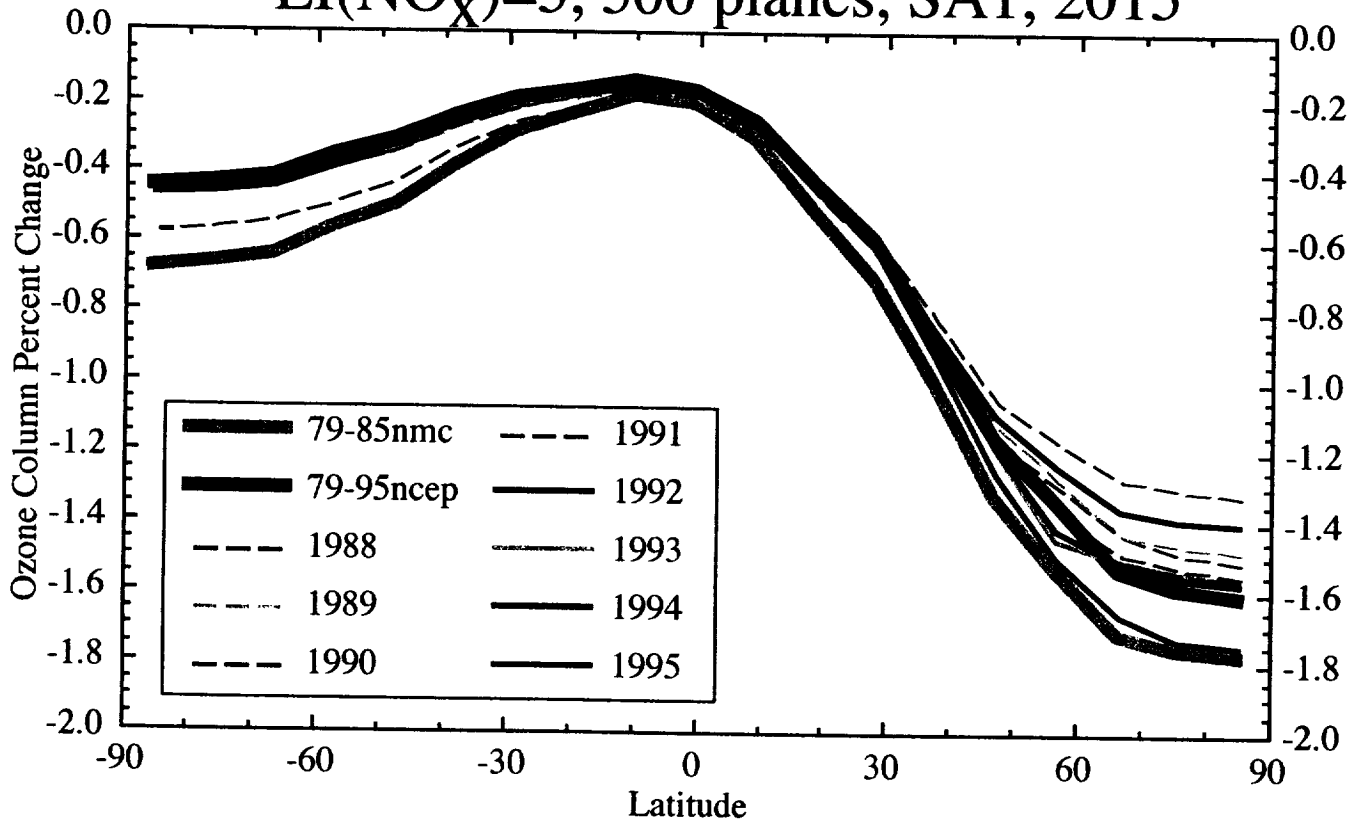
Likely sensitive to model characteristics and  $\text{ClY}/\text{BrY}$  concentration

# Annual Average Ozone Column Change due to HSCT With PSCs for Different Temperatures

El(NO<sub>x</sub>)=5, 500 planes, SA0, 2015



El(NO<sub>x</sub>)=5, 500 planes, SA1, 2015



## HSCT Sensitivities in 2-D Models

- Some chemical differences in background atmosphere are surprisingly large (NOY)
- Differences in model transport explain a majority of the intermodel differences in the absence of PSCs
- With PSCs, large differences exist in predicted O<sub>3</sub> depletion between models with the same transport
  - AER/LLNL model calculates more O<sub>3</sub> depletion in NH than LLNL
  - AER/GSFC model cannot match calculated O<sub>3</sub> depletion of GSFC model in SH
- Results sensitive to interannual temperature variations (at least in NH)

### To reduce uncertainty in HSCT assessment

- Use observations to:
  - Quantify vertical velocities in mid latitude lower stratosphere
  - Quantify K<sub>zz</sub> in lower stratosphere/upper troposphere
  - (In)Validate PSC schemes
- Additional intercomparison work may reduce some differences such as NOY, O<sub>3</sub> above 40 km, denitrification in SH
- Chemical uncertainties due to treatment of families, diurnal approach, etc. may be difficult to reduce